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PROBABLE DEPLOYMENT
OF THE KOMAR (SS-N-2) CRUISE MISSILE
WITH THE SOVIET GROUND FORCES



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THE SOVIET GROUND FORCES WITH 25X1 Similarities between photographs of the KOMAR cruise missile suggest strongly that the SS-N-2 cruise missile is deployed with the Group of Soviet Forces, 25X1 Germany (GSFG). 25X1 25X1 KOMAR Cruise Missile Figure 1. reported with r equipment in 25X1^L the GSFG in 1960. the hands of the East German Army (EGA), suggesting the deployment of this weapon with the EGA at about the same time that the SCUD and FROG equipment is believed to have been introduced. With a range of about 35 kilometers, the SS-N-2 cruise missile is believed to be the 25X1 short-range cruise missile of the Soviet ground forces 25X1 25X1 25×2

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	Deployed with Soviet front aviation since 1957, cruise missiles sup-
	plement the armament of the front bomber aviation. 4/ Late in 1961.
	one Soviet writer stated: "As is known, our army is armed with short-range and medium-range cruise missiles." 5/ It is believed that the
	medium-range cruise missile mentioned is the SHADDOCK (SS-C-1),
	ground forces. The two identified Soviet short-range cruise missiles 25X1
	are the KENNEL (AS-1), observed in a coastal defense role in Cuba.
	and the SS-N-2, associated with the Osa-class and Komar-class guided missile patrol hoats (PGMG)
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25X1	The SS-N-2 missile is a highly accurate, short-range cruise missile, using conventional, nuclear, or chemical warheads, and is intended for use by the Soviet ground forces against small (point) fixed targets. 6/ Based on known Soviet deployment of the FROG (Free Rockets Over Ground), the SS-N-2 probably will be deployed 5 to 10 kilometers behind Soviet lines.	

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